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Re: Adelante Media of Oregon License, LLC
KGDD (AM), Oregon City, Oregon
Facility Identification Number: 2431
Special Temporary Authority

Dear Counsel:

This is in reference to the request filed December 3, 2010, on behalf of Adelante Media of Oregon License, LLC ("AMO"). AMO requests special temporary authority ("STA") to operate Station KGDD with parameters at variance and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within licensed limits, and with its substantially adjusted directional antenna pattern.¹ In support of the request, AMO states it is preparing to convert the KGDD license to a Method of Moments-derived proof of performance. AMO further states that the station's phasor and antenna tuning units will require significant modification.

Our review indicates that, due to the derivation of new operating parameters via MOM analysis, neither the currently licensed antenna monitor readings nor the licensed monitor point field strength limits will necessarily be applicable to the proposed STA operation with MOM-derived parameters. STA will be granted as requested.

Accordingly, the request for STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station KGDD may operate with parameters at variance and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within licensed limits. Following completion of necessary equipment modifications and measurements, operation is authorized with the substantially adjusted directional patterns based on MOM-derived operating parameters.² It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. AMO must use whatever means are necessary to protect workers and the public from exposure to radio frequency radiation in excess of the Commission's

¹ KGDD is licensed for operation on 1520 kHz with 50 kilowatts daytime and 15 kilowatts nighttime, employing different directional antenna patterns daytime and nighttime (DA-2-U).

² During this mode of operation, operating parameters shall be maintained within $\pm 3^\circ$ phase indications and ± 5 percent current ratios of the MOM-derived operating parameters, which shall be posted with the station license along with a copy of this letter.

exposure guidelines. *See* 47 CFR § 1.1310.

This authority expires on **June 6, 2011**.

STA Advisory: Section 309(f) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, authorizes the Commission to grant STA in cases of "extraordinary circumstances requiring temporary authorizations in the public interest and when delay in the institution of the temporary operations would seriously prejudice the public interest." However, Section 309(f) is not a means by which a licensee/permittee may circumvent established processing procedures which require the filing of an application, nor is it a means by which a broadcaster may enhance his facility or make operation more convenient for the broadcaster. Stations operating with less than licensed facilities under temporary authorities can be viewed as receiving the benefit of a larger protection area than that in which they are currently providing service.

Accordingly, Special Temporary Authorities by nature are to be temporary and are not intended for extended use. Licensees of stations operating under temporary authorities are reminded that timely restoration of permanent facilities is the responsibility of the licensee and should be undertaken expeditiously. Any request for extension of special temporary authorities carries an increased burden with each subsequent request.

Therefore, requests for extension of STA will be granted only where the licensee can show that one or more of the following criteria have been met:

- Restoration of licensed facilities is complete and testing is underway;
- Substantial progress has been made during the most recent STA period toward restoration of licensed operation; or
- No progress has been made during the most recent STA period for reasons clearly beyond the licensee's control, and the licensee has taken all possible steps to expeditiously resolve the problem.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Charles N. Miller", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Charles N. Miller, Engineer
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Media Bureau

cc: Adelante Media of Oregon License, LLC